

- Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize National Autism Awareness month and to express my support for ongoing efforts across the nation that are devoted to improving the treatment of those individuals with autism and their families.
- Today, one in 110 children are affected by Autism, and my home state of New Jersey has the highest rate of autism in the country. the help of treatment and support centers the lives of individuals and families affected by autism are improving every day.
- I am proud that such a facility exists in my District.
- The Center for Autism at The North Ward Center provides the highest quality of care to individuals and families in the Greater Newark Area.
- Under one roof, the Center offers a seamless and comprehensive range of services for the lifespan of individuals with Autism, treating the whole person and the whole family, focusing on strength-based interventions.
- The Center represents a "one-stop" approach to relieve the burden on already stressed families dealing with Autism.
- The Center for Autism at The North Ward Center in Newark is only one example of how concentrated care can greatly better the lives of individuals and families affected by Autism.